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### Supplemental Soil Moisture Closure Criteria

#### Clear Creek Management Area

No action would be taken until the annual total precipitation exceeds 8 inches, the rain year would be the same as that used by the national weather service and rainfall data would be from the California Water Resources Board, nearest available rain gage. Once 8 inches of precipitation has been exceeded, the following would apply. Additional rainfall exceeding  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch within a 24 hour period, or 1 inch within a 72 hour period would result in a 3 day closure. Once the area has been closed a field inspection will be completed prior to reopening, and daily thereafter to determine suitability of road conditions. When recorded field observations show that road and trail surfaces have not dried sufficiently to allow traffic without damage to the surface, the area shall remain closed. Closure criteria may be amended or refined as results of area closures are evaluated. Specific criteria may be developed for other areas as needed.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Navy Department

#### Notice of Availability for the Final Environmental Impact Statement, Bureau of Land Management Carson City and Battle Mountain, Nevada Field Offices and Department of the Navy, Naval Air Station Fallon, Nevada

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior and Naval Air Station Fallon, Nevada, Department of the Navy.

**COOPERATING AGENCIES:** Federal Aviation Administration, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Yomba Shoshone Tribe, Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe, Walker River Paiute Tribe, Nevada Division of Wildlife, Eureka, Lander, and Churchill County Commissions, and Kingston Town Board.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of a final environmental impact statement (EIS)

for the Naval Air Station Fallon's proposed Fallon Range Training Complex Requirements.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and 40 CFR 1500-1508 Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (CEQ), notice is given that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Carson City and Battle Mountain, Nevada Field Offices and the Department of the Navy (Navy) Naval Air Station Fallon have jointly prepared, with the assistance of a third-party consultant, a Final EIS on the proposed Fallon Range Training Complex Requirements, and has made the document available for public and agency review.

**DATES:** Comments will be accepted until March 6, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be sent to: Bureau of Land Management, Carson City Field Office, 5665 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City, NV 89701, Attn: Terri Knutson, Project Manager. Comments may also be sent via electronic mail to the following address: [tknutson@nv.blm.gov](mailto:tknutson@nv.blm.gov) or via fax: (775) 885-6147. A limited number of copies of the Draft EIS may be obtained at the above BLM Field Office in Carson City, NV, as well as, BLM Battle Mountain Field Office, 50 Bastian Road, Battle Mountain, NV 89820. In addition, the Final EIS is available on the internet via the Carson City Field Office Home Page at: [www.nv.blm.gov/carson](http://www.nv.blm.gov/carson).

Comments, including names and addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the above address during regular business hours (7:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.), Monday through Friday, except holidays, and may be published as part of the EIS. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name or street address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. However, we will not consider anonymous comments. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Terri Knutson, Carson City BLM, at (775) 885-6156 or Gary Foulkes, Battle Mountain BLM, at (775) 635-4060, or

John Smith, NAS Fallon, at (775) 426-2101.

After the review period ends for the Final EIS, comments will be analyzed and considered jointly by the BLM and the Navy in preparing the Record of Decision (ROD).

Dated: January 25, 2000.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Emergency Motor Vehicle Use Limitations; Lincoln Fire; Oregon

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Vale District, Oregon, Department of the Interior.

**ACTION:** A temporary closure to motor vehicle use on public lands within the area of the Lincoln Fire (M948) administered by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Malheur Resource Area, Vale District, Oregon.

**SUMMARY:** One June 24, 1999 the Lincoln Fire burned 1415 acres of public and private land within T.19S., R.46E., Willamette Meridian, Sections 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, and 33. Because of the damage caused by the fire, this closure is necessary to prevent erosion and enhance the fire rehabilitation efforts within the burned area. The authorized officer has determined that vehicle use other than on designated routes will cause considerable adverse effects upon recovering soil and vegetation resources in the burned area and may also limit the successful establishment of desirable vegetation or other proposed rehabilitation actions.

Open roads within the fire area will be clearly identified. A map designating those routes which will remain open to vehicle use is included in the Vale District Bureau of Land Management, Lincoln Fire Rehabilitation Plan M948, Environmental Assessment (EA No. OR-030-99-021). The map and plan can be reviewed at: Vale District Office, USDI Bureau of Land Management, 100 East Oregon Street, Vale, Oregon 97918.

**Prohibited Act:** Pursuant to 43 CFR 8364.1, motorized vehicle use is prohibited on public land within the